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1. IREX EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR KASSOF, ACCOMPANIED BY DEPUTY JOHN MATTHEWS AND ASSISTANT PROGRAM OFFICER MARY GMITRUK, WILL VISIT ADDRESSEE POSTS ON FOLLOWING DATES FOR CONSULTATION WITH LOCAL EXCHANGE PARTNERS AND EMBASSIES:

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2. FYI: KASSOF AND DEPUTY DANIEL MATUSZEWSKI MET WITH

CU/EE SEPTEMBER 21 TO DISCUSS UPCOMING PROGRAM NEGOTIATION WITH SOVIETS, THE IREX FY 77 GRANT-IN-AID REQUEST TO CU, AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS IN IREX SOVIET AND EAST EUROPEAN (EE) PROGRAMS. THE FOUR-HOUR MEETING WAS THE MOST CONSTRUCTIVE CU/EE HAS HAD WITH IREX DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS.

3. RE EE KASSOF NOW BELIEVES HE CAN MAINTAIN 1977/78 PROGRAMS AT NEAR CURRENT LEVELS IF CU FY 77 GRANT IS NOT LESS THAN ITS FY 76 GRANTS (DOLS 911,000, WHICH INCLUDES 36,000 FOR GDR PROGRAMS). THIS WOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED BY SOME ADDITIONAL HELP FROM PRIVATE SECTOR, BY COST-SAVING MEASURES AND PERHAPS MINOR ADJUSTMENTS IN PROGRAM LEVELS IN SOME COUNTRIES WHICH IREX WILL BE CONSIDERING

IN COMING MONTHS. KASSOF WAS ALSO RECEPTIVE TO SUGGESTION THAT PROGRAM EMPHASES BE BROADENED TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION CERTAIN DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY INTERESTS. CU/EE IN TURN ASSURED KASSOF THAT CU VALUES IREX, RECOGNIZES ITS ROLE IN SOVIET AND EE EXCHANGES AND WISHES TO ENSURE ITS CONTINUED EXISTENCE.

4. RE THE CU FY 77 GRANT-IN-AID TO IREX, DEPTOFFS OUTLINED CU PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS FOR FY 77 WHICH PRECLUDE ANY INCREASE IN LEVEL OF THE CU GRANT-IN-AID. WITHOUT INDICATING EXACT AMOUNT DEPTOFFS SAID THAT FY 77 GRANT WOULD HOWEVER BE CLOSE TO LEVEL OF FY 76 GRANT. DETAILS FOLLOW BY LETTER. END FYI.

5. FOR MOSCOW: SEPTTEL FOLLOWS ON NEGOTIATION OF IMPLEMENTING CONDITIONS. KISSINGER

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